

5.1 Static Electric Charges

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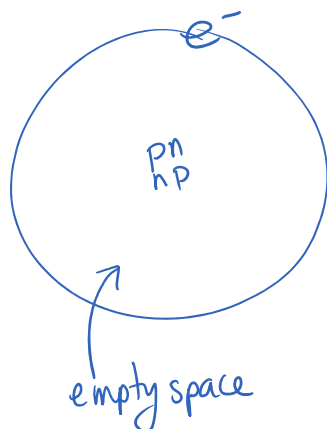
History:

- amber rubbed with cloth picks up dust
- Greek word for amber = elektron
- in 1500's Gilbert did experiments (England)
- in 1700's du Fay found 2 kinds of electricity (France)
 - attraction and repulsion
- later 1700's Benjamin Franklin pos and neg charges

Science:

- static electricity - when charges on electrified objects are not moving
- Object with
 - same charge repel
 - opposite charge attract
 - neutral charge is attracted to pos. or neg. object.

- the atom:
 - Dalton - indivisible
 - Rutherford - nucleus
 - Thomson - electron
 - Chadwick - neutrons (1932)



$$\begin{aligned}m_e &= 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \\m_p &= 1836 \times m_e \\m_n &= m_p + m_e\end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned}n &= p + e^- \\&\rightarrow \text{radioactivity}\end{aligned} \right\}$$

Hydrogen

$$\begin{aligned}r_{\text{nucleus}} &= 10^{-15} \text{ m} \\r &= 10^{-10} \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

empty space

$$r_{\text{nucleus}} = 10^{-15} \text{ m}$$

$$r_{\text{atom}} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

- ions - atoms that have gained or lost electrons
- some materials gain/lose e^- more easily (pg 160) \updownarrow
- Law of Conservation of charge - charge is never created or destroyed.
- Conductor - materials that allow charged particles to pass through them easily
 - silver, copper, aluminium, carbon-graphite
- Insulators - materials that resist the flow of charged particles thru them
 - plastic, rubber, porcelain, carbon-diamonds
 - easier to put static charge on an insulator since charge won't flow away.
- Charging by:
 - conduction - contact (2 objects)
 - induction - no contact (3 objects) (pg 162)